



PROGRAMME

TAILORED DETERRENCE IN THE TRANSATLANTIC ALLIANCE: NUCLEAR, CONVENTIONAL AND NON-MILITARY STRATEGIES

Sunday 16 – Wednesday 19 March 2008

903rd WILTON PARK CONFERENCE

in co-operation with Nuclear Policy Planning Directorate, NATO

Synopsis

What do we understand by the term tailored deterrence and how has it been utilised hitherto? What patterns of proliferation and threat are likely to figure in the coming years and how might deterrence be tailored to fit them? What is the role of strategic culture when planning a deterrent strategy? How might NATO members (nuclear and non-nuclear) develop a common tailored deterrent strategy? How can deterrence be tailored towards a variety of threats: non-state actors, regional powers, and major powers? What are the technical capabilities required to implement such a strategy?

SUNDAY 16 MARCH 2008

1900 Drinks Reception

1930 Dinner

2100 **Welcome to Wilton Park**
Mark SMITH
Programme Director, Security and Defence, Wilton Park, Steyning

After Dinner Speaker
EMERGING MORAL CHALLENGES TO DETERRENCE
Paul SCHULTE
Senior Visiting Fellow, UK Defence Academy, London

MONDAY 17 MARCH 2008

0900-0915 **Conference Introduction**
Mark SMITH
Programme Director, Security and Defence, Wilton Park, Steyning
Guy ROBERTS
Deputy Assistant Secretary General for WMD Policy; Director, Nuclear Policy,
NATO HQ, Brussels

0915-1045 **1 MODELS OF DETERRENCE IN PRACTICE**
How has 'tailored deterrence' worked in the past or elsewhere? What can be learned from these experiences?

Elaine BUNN
Senior Fellow and Director, Future Strategic Concepts Program, Institute for National
Strategic Studies, National Defense University, Washington DC

TAILORED DETERRENCE: UNDERSTANDING AND COMMUNICATION
A REPORT FROM THE BRUSSELS WORKSHOP
David YOST
Professor, Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey

- 1045-1115 Coffee
- 1115-1245 **2 THREAT PATTERNS**
What proliferation patterns will emerge over the next few years? Are 'chains' of proliferation a possibility? How many nuclear-armed states are there likely to be in 2020? What are the likely power politics of the coming years? What geo-strategic patterns and points of conflict will emerge?
- Rebecca HERSMAN**
Senior Research Fellow, Center for the Study of Weapons of Mass Destruction,
National Defense University, Washington DC
- 1245-1500 Lunch
- 1500-1645 **3 POLITICAL 'TAILORING': DETERRENCE AND STRATEGIC CULTURE**
Strategic culture: how do different states (and non-state actors) respond to deterrent strategies? How can deterrent posture be 'tailored' to fit with different strategic cultures? Does strategic culture, in fact, exert strong influence when it comes to nuclear deterrence?
- Darryl HOWLETT**
Senior Lecturer, Politics and International Relations, University of Southampton,
Southampton
- Kerry KARTCHNER**
Senior Advisor for Strategic Planning, Office of Strategic Planning and Outreach, Bureau of
International Security and Nonproliferation, US Department of State, Washington DC
- 1645-1730 Conference photograph and Tea
- 1730-1900 **4 STRATEGIC 'TAILORING': PRACTISING DETERRENCE (I)**
What do transatlantic states understand by the term tailored deterrence, and do they support it? Do they mean the same thing when they use the term? Is the concept of tailored deterrence articulated in US policy documents compatible with British and French doctrine?
- Jeremy STOCKER**
Associate Fellow, Royal United Services Institute for Defence & Security Studies
(RUSI), London
- Bruno TERTRAIS**
Senior Research Fellow, Foundation for Strategic Research, Paris
- 1930 Dinner

TUESDAY 18 MARCH 2008

- 0915-1045 **5 STRATEGIC 'TAILORING': PRACTISING DETERRENCE (II)**
What are the perspectives of the non-nuclear NATO members?
- TURKEY**
Duygu Bazoglu SEZER
Professor of International Relations, Dogus University, Istanbul
- GERMANY**
Oliver THRÄNERT
Head of Research Unit, European and Atlantic Security, German Institute for International
and Security Affairs, Berlin
- 1045-1115 Coffee

- 1115-1245 **6 TECHNOLOGICAL ‘TAILORING’**
What are the weapons requirements for tailored deterrence in the transatlantic alliance? Can it be done with existing weapons? What is the role of missile defence? What are the possibilities for non-nuclear strategic deterrence using conventional weapons?
- Joseph PILAT**
Senior Adviser, National Security Office, Los Alamos National Laboratory, Los Alamos
- Owen PRICE**
Programme Manager (Warhead Ancillary Systems Integrated Team Leader) Atomic Weapons Establishment, Reading
- 1245-1500 Lunch
- 1500-1630 **7 BREAKOUT GROUPS ON SCENARIO-BUILDING**
What would a tailored deterrence strategy look like in a given scenario?
- Non-state Actors**
Nancy HAYDEN
Senior Fellow, Defense Threat Reduction Agency/Advanced Systems Concepts Office (DTRA), Fort Belvoir
- Regional Powers**
Paul BERNSTEIN
Vice President, Science Applications International Corporation (SAIC), McLean
- Major Powers**
Brad ROBERTS
Member of Research Staff, Institute for Defense Analyses, Alexandria
- 1630-1700 Tea
- 1700-1830 **8 TAILORED DETERRENCE AND RUSSIA**
To what extent is Russia giving attention to concepts similar to tailored deterrence? How might it respond to the development of such a strategy by NATO: would it regard this as a potential threat?
- Nikolai SOKOV**
Senior Research Associate, James Martin Centre for Nonproliferation Studies, Monterey
- 1930 Dinner

WEDNESDAY 19 MARCH 2008

- 0915-1045 **9 DETERRENT STRATEGY AS PUBLIC DIPLOMACY**
What role does NATO’s deterrent play in public diplomacy within and between NATO members? Where does tailored deterrence fit the New Strategic Concept?
- Michael RÜHLE**
Head of Speechwriting, Policy Planning Unit, NATO Secretary General, Brussels
- 1045-1115 Coffee
- 1115-1245 **10 CONCLUSION: TOWARDS A TAILORED DETERRENCE STRATEGY**
Report back from the scenarios worked up in Session 7.
- Rebecca JOHNSON**
Executive Director, Acronym Institute for Disarmament Diplomacy, London
- 1245 Lunch
- 1400 Participants depart

